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On the 28th December, at Wonsan, Corea, the
wife of C. E. S. WATKINS, of a daughter, NORAH.

The Daily Press.

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HONGKONG, 21st January, 1913.

The state of semi-war still prevailing in Venezuela, while the preparations for arbitration unaccountably drag on, must be very unsatisfactory for all the nations concerned. It is some weeks now since we learned the mixed feelings entertained in England about the Anglo-German armed intervention, and we have also been aware some time ago of the disapproval of a portion of the Press of the United States. We quoted recently from a San Francisco paper certain remarks on the right of South American States to default, which, though not demanding to be taken too seriously, at least could not be altogether disregarded. The home papers which reached Hongkong by the last mail show that there has really been considerable dissent from the action of our Government in acting toward Venezuela as it has. The sinking by the Germans of some of the Venezuelan fleet provoked a fairly general protest, while a part of the London Press went still further in its condemnation of the joint action of Britain and Germany. It was pointed out that if, as Lord Lansdowne himself admitted in his speech of the 12th December, Venezuela has suffered one hundred and four revolutions in seventy years, then the capitalists and traders who ventured their money in the country had at least ample warning of the risks run by them, and that there is no reason for supposing that the revolutionary habit will be cured by an intervention, after the hundred-and-fourth revolution, which (so politely treated by Britain and Germany alike) must be quite temporary. Granted that arbitration is at last satisfactorily

arranged and hostilities cease, still, as one of the London evening journals points out, we may be quite sure that as soon as the Europeans are off the scene the American bagman will be on the scene to point out the extreme inconvenience of doing trade with Germans and British and the corresponding advantages of an exclusive American commerce. Therefore, even if the allies should gain by arbitration all they ask for, it is not they who would stand to win in the long run, but their most enterprising rivals. Moreover, should the dispute, as is stated to be probable, be settled at Washington and should Venezuela profit in any way, there will be the additional feeling of gratitude to induce the Venezuelans to encourage the American rather than the British or German speculator in future. The responsible people in the United States have certainly shown their wisdom in keeping quiet over the Venezuelan affair. The turbulent republic will at least have been taught a lesson by the Anglo-German action, and this will be of advantage to the States, who have not incurred the loss of a single cent over the business. Also, without having to put it to the test whether the Monroe doctrine is more than a well-sounding theory, they will have inspired grateful feelings in Venezuela and her sympathisers. In every way the affair must be considered excellent business for the United States.

Through the currency question continues to excite the utmost interest in so many quarters of the world, including most places of importance in the East, it does not seem as if in Hongkong anyone is at present ready to come forward on behalf of the gold standard. Writing six days ago on this subject we pointed out that there is far from being any universal acceptance here of the view that it is impossible to establish a fixed rate of exchange. On the other hand, there is a very strong recognition of the evils of a fluctuating, yet constantly falling exchange. Since the publication of the report of the Chamber of Commerce committee meeting of the 23rd December the subject has been much discussed in business circles in the Colony, and it is well known that the general opinion has not been that it is best to shelve it for years to come. But it is unnecessary for us to remark that desultory conversations do not advance matters at all. Nor can we imagine that the supporters of the fixed dollar propose to wait to see the report of the Straits Currency Commission before taking any steps. Procrastination is not a policy which should commend itself to business men in circumstances like the present. It is true that, as we said last week, the question is not one which can be disposed of summarily. But this is all the more reason for commencing work betimes. Even China has before her, as we saw the other day, the idea of a gold standard. Hongkong cannot therefore be contented with simply repeating the arguments of five or six years ago.

Lady Berkeley, wife of Sir H. S. Berkeley, K.C., Attorney-General, arrived in the Colony yesterday from Australia by the *Kasuga Maru*, accompanied by her three daughters and son.

A Chinaman fell into the water near the Canton steamer wharf on Monday night, and was rescued by an Indian constable, who secured himself with a rope and jumped into the water after the man.

Owing to the inconvenient position of the reporters' table in the Supreme Court, the Attorney-General, we understand, intends to ask permission to have it removed to behind the counsel's table. It is to be hoped that this will be done.

An official announcement has been received in Shanghai that the China Medal, 1900, has been granted to the members of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps on the rolls in that year. The Hongkong Volunteer Corps, which saw just as much of the fighting, is not to receive the medal.

On Monday evening next a dramatic and musical recital in aid of the Sailors' and Soldiers' Institute, Kowloon, will be given in the Institute. Mrs. Ainsworth, a graduate of the Boston (U.S.A.) School of Oratory and formerly a leading member of Daly's Theatre of London and New York, has kindly volunteered to give eight recitations, comprising the dramatic, heroic and humorous, and she will be assisted by some of the best musical talent of Hongkong. Tickets can be had at the Institute or at the Robinson Piano Co.

We notice that the Rt. Rev. Bishop of Victoria has been addressing some remarks recently to the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge in London. The following will be of interest to the Cathedral School-keepers (who, by the way, will meet next Tuesday):—His (the Bishop's) desire was that the work of the Church in Hongkong should be self-supporting, so far as concerned the European community. There were some 4,000 merchants and others, and the military and naval establishments doubled this number. The Cathedral Chaplains were paid for by the congregation, and the Seamen's Mission clergy were also labouring among seafarers. A good work was being carried on, and it was practically self-supporting.

to the ice, all steam communication with Chemulpo was closed last week.

Staying at the Hongkong Hotel just now with his family is Mr. Vickers, of Vickers, Sons, and Maxim fame.

Extensive manoeuvres of the U.S. Asiatic fleet have been taking place in Subig Bay. The heavy guns of the fleet were not used, however.

The U.S. army transports *Sherman* and *Burnside* are coming to Hongkong and Shanghai respectively for repairs which cannot be carried out in Manila.

Mr. L. A. M. Johnston, our new Post-master passes through Singapore by a P. & O. steamer early in February, according to the *Free Press* of that port.

The *Manila American* in a recent issue spoke editorially of "John Chamberlain, the head of England's Colonial Office." We should have thought that the name of "Jo" was historical by now.

News has been received of the death of the Rev. D. C. Rankin, D.D., at Pyongyang, Corea, on 27th December. He succumbed to an attack of acute pneumonia after a brief illness.

The last of the ten cruisers ordered from Messrs. S. C. Farnham, Boyd and Co., of Shanghai, for the Philippine Insular Government, the *Tablas*, successfully completed her trial on the 15th inst. and was expected to sail for Manila early this week.

Mr. C. A. Montalvo de Jesus, who left this Colony not many months ago, read a paper before the Royal Asiatic Society at Shanghai on the 15th inst. As his subject was "Macao," it is needless to say that our former fellow-resident's paper was much appreciated.

The Secretary of the Medical Missionary Society, writes to us from Canton, regretting that by error in the list of Vice-Presidents of the Society in the report which we published in our issue of Monday the names of Messrs. G. D. Fenon, R. Shewan, and J. J. Koswick were omitted.

There was a great fire in Tientsin native city on the 19th inst., in the Kung Pei quarter. The fire was about a third of a mile long and some 200 yards, or more wide. A generous estimate of the damage is £15,000,000, but there was only insurance in foreign offices to the extent of £15,000.

There was launched on the 15th inst. from Mr. R. A. Ord's Hongkong ship-building yard, Yangtsepo, Shanghai, one of three handsome pontoons which Mr. Ord is now building for Messrs. Butterfield and Swire's Floating wharves. The dimensions of the structure are 180 feet by 28 feet by 6 feet.

According to a statement in the *Peking and Tientsin Times*, there appears to be some foundation for the statement that the Chinese Court is contemplating the enforced adoption of European clothes by Chinese officials. This is an instance of the absurdities perpetrated in the name of reform. Meanwhile the real reforms, of course, are not carried out.

A despatch dated Peking, 14th February, to the N.C. Daily News says:—The Ching-Ling railway, which the Empress Dowager ordered to be built in readiness for the visit of the Court of the Western Tomba, has now proceeded as far as the practical completion of the earth-works, and 1,500 men of H.E. Yuan Shikai's troops are distributed along the line.

Without a contest the following nine rate-payers were elected to the Shanghai Municipal Council:—Messrs. W. G. Bayne, A. W. Burkill, H. De Gray, C. M. Ede, S. A. Hardoon, D. Landale, A. M. Marshall, O. Messner, and C. W. Wrightson. Four of these are new-comers, Messrs. Burkill, Ede, Landale, and Wrightson, who replace Messrs. Ingitts, Kinneir, Lavers, and Liddell.

The *Sin Wen Pao* states that some time ago Viceroy Chang Chih-tung sent unserviceable gunboats of the Nanyang Squadron to Woosung and instructed the Shanghai Taotai to have them sold, and with the money obtained on them the Viceroy intended to purchase more modern ships. Now the high authorities at Nanking after careful consideration have decided to postpone the sale till after the arrival of the Viceroy designate Wei Kaung-tao and appointed two officers to watch over the ships for the mean time.

According to telegrams received by local mandarin from the capital of Hunan as well as Hupoh, the N.C. Daily News says, the high authorities there have received information from their subordinates, sent as intelligence officers to Kwangsi, to the effect that the rebels of that province have made such headway against the Government troops that already various strong bodies of insurgents are on the point of crossing the frontiers into the provinces above named. It also appears that there is much anxiety in Wuchang and Changsha on the above account.

"The Governor of Szechuan," says the *P. & T. Times*, "is offering £150 a head for every Boxer killed. This has proved an excellent opportunity for anyone having a grudge against his neighbour, and so called 'Boxers' are being killed every day." The Tientsin paper also says:—"The Governor of Szechuan seems to be distinctly a man of originality and enterprise. He has prohibited the free distribution of Buddhist books, as he opines they are a species of foundation for Boxer arguments and do much harm." Judging by the latter paragraph we should say that the Governor of Szechuan would be more aptly described by a shorter and less complimentary name than the *P. & T. Times* bestows.

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

SOUTH AFRICA.

[FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.]

LONDON, 19th January, 8.45 p.m.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S SCHEME.

The Ministerialists applaud Mr. Chamberlain's settlement of South African affairs, although they admit that the Rand's contribution is proportionately small.

THE NAVY AND TAXATION.

The *Standard*, referring to a suggestion from Johannesburg to purchase warships out of the war contribution, advocates rather the relief of taxation.

THE CHINESE IMMIGRATION QUESTION.

There is outspoken sympathy expressed in Australia with the whites in the Transvaal who are protesting against the introduction of Chinese labourers into the mines.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

LONDON, 18th January.

THE OVERJUE LINER.

The *St. Louis* has arrived safely at New York. The delay in her arrival was caused by storms, and the average speed was only nine knots. The passengers at an indignation meeting passed resolutions censuring the Company for allowing them to embark on a steamer with leaky boilers. The management declares that there was nothing in the condition of the boilers to prevent a normal passage.

AUSTRIA.

The Austrian Reichsrath adjourned at 5 p.m. after a 54-hour sitting due to the obstruction of the Czechs, whose tactics are impeding the passage of the Austro-Hungarian arrangement to which the approval of the Austrian Parliament is necessary.

LONDON, 18th January.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN IN SOUTH AFRICA.

At a public banquet at Johannesburg, Mr. Chamberlain said he must consider the interests of the Dutch as well as the British, and that he intended submitting to the Imperial Parliament a bill for guaranteeing a loan of £35,000,000 on the security of the assets of the Transvaal and Orange River Colony, the loan to be used for paying the debts of the Transvaal and for public works in both Colonies. As soon as this loan is issued, another one of £30,000,000, to which the Orange River Colony will not contribute, will be issued on the security of the Transvaal.

THE UNITED STATES NAVY.

The Washington Naval Committee has recommended the construction of three new battleships and one cruiser.

FOOTBALL.

This afternoon on the Happy Valley the Hongkong Football Club will play the Royal Engineers; kick-off at half-past four. The following will play for the Club:—

W. A. Crane, goal; O. T. Barnes and J. W. C. Bonnar, backs; G. B. Macdonald, C. T. Kew, and E. H. Collins, halves; W. R. Lemarchand, J. E. Lee, C. E. S. Cooper, G. A. Cooke, and E. C. Austin, forwards.

FIRE IN THE HARBOUR.

The spectacle of a burning junk being towed across the harbour by a couple of launches, while a third towed a floating engine on which were firemen who directed streams of water upon the flames, attracted considerable attention about ten o'clock yesterday morning. The junk, having on board a general cargo, took fire from some cause at present unknown whilst lying off the Harbour Office, and blazed up quickly. From all accounts there was no one aboard at the time, or at least very soon after the outbreak made itself apparent, the only living thing seen being a dog which feared to take to the water and remained on the junk till it was beached at Chungshawan, near Laichikok, when it was persuaded to jump and was hauled in safety into a sampan. Mr. Ed. Jones, of the Harbour Office, had charge of one of the launches which towed the junk from its place amongst the other native craft, which stood in danger of catching fire from the live embers thrown into the air and dropping in all directions, and the other launch was a naval one manned by blue-jackets; the launch towing the floating engine of the Fire Brigade was that of Mr. D. Macdonald, engineer of the Brigade. Soon after being beached at Chungshawan an explosion of gunpowder occurred on board the junk, which carried some of the old ordnance common to native boats of this type. No one was injured by the explosion, which completely wrecked the junk and destroyed the cargo. The damage is stated to be covered by insurance.

HONGKONG DIOCESAN CHORAL FESTIVAL.

Last year saw the inauguration of a Diocesan Choral Festival in Hongkong: an innovation which was hailed with pleasure by all lovers of music here and which met with such success that the underlying idea of having a festival annually was regarded as having been pretty well established on a solid basis. It was with a most laudable purpose that the movement was set on foot. Its promoters had in view the improvement of the diocesan choirs and the encouragement of the cultivation of classical music in the Colony generally. Such motive was bound to command support. This year however, the chorus was much smaller than last for several reasons—it being representative of two choirs and not comprising by any means the full membership of either; the soloists were less, the soprano part being dependent entirely on one lady, who, however, accomplished all her work most ably; there was also no orchestra on this occasion. There is, however, no need to apologise for the quality of the music rendered, as it was apparent that all present knew their parts, were in good voice, and carefully watched the *baton* of the conductor. The chorus might have been stronger, but the reason for any want of enthusiasm in regard to numbers is perhaps to be found in the position of affairs in general in the Cathedral as unfortunately at present prevail. The attendance also showed this: last year many of the congregation were unable to secure seats and the collection was over \$300; this year the church was not full, the collection being \$162.64. Last year the work undertaken was *The Holy City*, an ambitious essay for the first festival but one which was more than justified in the result. On the present occasion the programme undertaken was of an entirely different kind and perhaps less attractive to the general public, though a much better class of music. The principal item was Mendelssohn's cantata *Lauda Sion*, a fine piece containing beautiful passages, which is a favourite at home but has never, we think, been heard before in Hongkong; and there were also given a chorus of Sullivan's and a soprano solo and chorus by the former composer. The festival took place in St. John's Cathedral yesterday evening, and the choir consisted of the St. John's choir and a few members of St. Peter's, under the conductorship of Mr. A. G. Ward.

The service opened with an organ voluntary, in A flat (B-flat), admirably executed by Mr. G. Grimble. Following upon this the service proper began with the processional hymn "Onward Christian Soldiers," sung to Sullivan's inspiring setting.

After prayers and responses (Tallis) the festival music was entered upon. The first piece was a chorus from *The Golden Legend* by Sullivan, "O Gladsome Light," an evening hymn with soft, harmonious music, which the choir rendered with adequate expression, keeping well with the conductor. Part II consisted of Mendelssohn's soprano solo and chorus, "Hear My Prayer." This well-known piece got a grand rendition. That Mrs. Madie took the solo part was a sufficient guarantee of their being appropriately and tastefully rendered. "Hear My Prayer" opens with a solo with plaintive supplicating diction and music in consonance with it. Mrs. Madie has seldom been heard to better advantage than in this; she gave fine sympathetic expression to the spirit of the music and sang faultlessly. Following upon the opening solo were a solo and chorus, the chorus repeating the soloist's phrases; this is of a tragic description and gives unlimited scope for robust expression. The chorus were well up in their work and the leads were nicely taken up by the respective parts; indeed the whole thing was given with fine effect. The soprano solo and solo with chorus accompaniment with which the piece closes were sung with equal excellence. At this stage a collection was taken, during the singing of the hymn "O God our help in ages past," Mr. Grimble playing a specially written accompaniment. Then the choir entered upon the principal item of this programme, Mendelssohn's cantata *Lauda Sion*, a work of which the excellence is too well known to need comment upon it here. It opens with a fine swinging chorus "Praise Jehovah," which was well sung, and consists of choruses, soprano solo, a quartet, and quartets and choruses. Mrs. Madie, after singing the solo in "Hear My Prayer," undertook the solo work here, besides, taking part in the choruses, and great credit is due to her for the arduous part she performed in this connection. All her solos were perfectly sung and her rendition of "Lord, at all times" was beautiful. A feature of the cantata was the quartet "Ye who from his ways have turned," sung by Mrs. Madie, Miss Loykum, Mr. G. W. Coster and Mr. W. J. Terrill; the blending of the voices was capital. The choruses without exception left nothing to be desired, and were a credit to Mr. Ward for his conductorship and painstaking preparation of the choir as well as to the choir themselves. The festival ended with the benediction, to which Stainer's "Seven-fold Amen" was sung. Mr. Grimble, who is deserving of special commendation for his excellent playing of the festival music, gave as a concluding voluntary the "War-March of the Priests" from Mendelssohn's *Altkloster*. We must not omit to mention that no little of the success which has attended this and also the previous festival was due to the Hon. Secretary, Mr. Alfred Cunningham, whose energy was untiring and his enthusiasm contagious.

The chorus was as follows:—Mendames

J. S. Hagen, Quinn, A. Seth, H. L. Stricker, H. P. Tooker, Misses G. Hance, R. Loykum, M. Seth, E. Shaw, Messrs. H. Bell, G. W. Coster, A. Cunningham, E. C. Emmott, J. Hays, H. H. Hugess, F. Jenkins, A. May, J. S. Macnab, H. J. Moorhouse, G. Ruby, H. L. Stricker, W. J. Terrill; Masters C. F. Cunningham, A. T. Godfree, W. Hagen, A. J. J. Martin, R. A. Power, J. Presley, B. A. Shortman, H. V. Shortman, F. G. Tyler, and H. H. Tyler.

The following clergy were present:—Venerable Archdeacon Banister, Rev. J. H. France, Rev. E. H. Good, R.N., Rev. C. Moore, R.N., Rev. H. E. Roberts, R.N., Rev. H. R. Talbot, Rev. T. Wright, Rev. W. J. Southam, and Rev. F. T. Johnson, chaplain of St. John's.

MAIDEN VOYAGE OF A NEW RIVER STEAMER.

When the new river steamer *Sun Cheung* left her wharf on Saturday afternoon and steamed out of the harbour, conjecture doubtless was rife as to where her destination was, for though the vessel's run was known to be between this port and the neighbouring one of Canton, it is also common knowledge that the latter is closed to river steamers on Sundays. Canton, however, was just the place the *Sun Cheung* was heading for, the Cheung On Steamship Company, her owners, having obtained permission for the vessel to enter Canton on Sunday morning; and when the *Sun Cheung*, gay with bunting, dropped anchor off the Shumou at six a.m. on Sunday she began her career by establishing what is claimed to be a precedent, so far as river steamers are concerned, for against these is the Sunday embargo of the Canton Customs authorities directed. Attended at the outset by such a favourable circumstance, it was only fitting that the whole trial trip, from beginning to end, should prove most successful and enjoyable. The performance of the *Sun Cheung* realised the wishes of her owners, and the attention lavished upon the guests on board ensured the comfort of everyone. The party on board when the ship cleared from Hongkong included Mr. and Mrs. Carmichael, Major and Mrs. Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. Hinds, Mr. and Mrs. Richardson, Miss Sibbert, and Messrs. Trevour, Richards, Robinson, Buchanan, Davies, Sit Ning Cook, and Kwok Yik Ting (secretary of the Cheung On Steamship Company). At Canton, where a dinner was given on board, this number was augmented considerably by the general response given to the invitations sent out by M. Trevour on behalf of the owners, and amongst those present were many French and Chinese notabilities, including M. Guillemin, Consul of France at Canton. No speeches were made or toasts given, but wishes, none the less sincere for their not being clothed in the garb of formality, were expressed on all sides for the success of the *Sun Cheung* and her owners. At an earlier stage in the trip Mr. Carmichael, who supervised the erection of the steamer's machinery, proposed the health of Mr. Kwok Yik Ting, the Cheung On Company's secretary, who responded suitably; and on the run home Major Chapman toasted success to the *Sun Cheung*, coupling with it the name of Mr. Kwok Yik Ting, who again replied. The return journey was accomplished in a few minutes over seven hours, the *Sun Cheung*, a description of which has already been published, leaving Canton at 5 p.m. on Monday and being abreast of her wharf here at 12.3 a.m. yesterday.

REVIEW.

Cantonese Apothegms. By the Rev. H. J. Stevens, London Missionary Society. Canton, E. Shing.

PUBLISHED at the small price of \$1.50, Mr. Stevens' collection of Cantonese apothegms, classified, translated and commented upon by himself, with assistance from two Chinese gentlemen, should, as the author hopes, prove interesting to the general reader and helpful to the student of Cantonese. Perhaps with quotations, for which unfortunately we have no space, it would be difficult to give a better idea of the scope of the book than by mentioning some of the various headings under which the sayings and proverbs are grouped. Among these are: Customs; Feasts; Foods; Foreigners; Gambling; Law; Life; Medicine; Weather; Worship; Mr. Stevens' method is to give the apothegm first in its Chinese characters, next in a Romanisation after Dr. Eitel's system, thirdly in a literal translation, and lastly in a free translation. Then he appends an explanation of the obscure points. The reader, therefore, cannot complain that he is not given considerable insight into the construction and meaning of every saying quoted in the book. Speaking on behalf of the general reader, we must confess to finding the little collection most agreeably entertaining and we can commend it to all interested in things Chinese. The printing is very creditably done and the book is serviceably bound.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The silk ex C.P.R. steamer *Empress of Japan* arrived at New York on the 17th inst. The "Barber" Line steamer *Thordis*, from New York and Strait, arrived at Manila yesterday. The N.Y.K. steamer *Bingo Maru* (European Line) left Shanghai for this port on the 10th inst., a.m., and is expected here to-morrow. The N.Y.K. steamer *Yavuta Maru* (Australasian Line) left Kobe via Moji and Nagasaki for this port on the 26th inst., p.m., and is expected here on the 27th inst.

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General Agents for
The Kowloon Land and Building
Company, Limited.

Hongkong, 20th January, 1903. [30]

PUBLIC COMPANIES
THE WEST POINT BUILDING
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
FOURTEENTH ORDINARY
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this
Company will be held at the COMPANY'S
OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, on MONDAY,
the 26th JANUARY, 1903, at 11.45 o'clock A.M.
for the purpose of receiving the Report of the
Directors together with Statement of Accounts
for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED on SATUR-
DAY, the 17th JANUARY, to MONDAY,
the 26th JANUARY (both days inclusive),
during which period no Transfer of Shares can
be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to the
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency
Company, Limited,
General Agents for
The West Point Building Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 7th Janu. 1903. [102]

**THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT
AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
FIFTEENTH ORDINARY MEET-
ING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company
will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES,
Victoria Buildings, on MONDAY, the 26th
JANUARY, 1903, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the
purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors
together with Statement of Accounts for the
year ending 31st December, 1902.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED on SATUR-
DAY, the 17th JANUARY, to MONDAY,
the 26th JANUARY (both days inclusive),
during which period no Transfer of Shares can
be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 7th January, 1903. [193]

**THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMA-
TION COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
SECOND ORDINARY MEETING
OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will
be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE,
Victoria Buildings, on MONDAY, the 26th
JANUARY, 1903, at 12.30 o'clock p.m., for
the purpose of receiving the Report of the
Directors, together with a Statement of
Accounts for the period ending 31st December,
1902.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED on MONDAY,
the 18th January to MONDAY, the 26th
January (both days inclusive) during which
period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOPE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 13th January, 1903. [247]

**HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
THE SEVENTY-THIRD ORDINARY
HALF-YEARLY MEETING OF
SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be
held at the OFFICE of the Company, No. 18,
Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, on
SATURDAY, the 7th FEBRUARY, at
12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving
a Report of the Directors, together with a
Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend,
confirming the appointment of a Director, and
electing Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 24th of JANUARY
to the 7th FEBRUARY, inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 17th January, 1903. [281]

**HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an
EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON
AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY,
LIMITED, will be held at the COMPANY'S
OFFICES in Bank Buildings, Victoria,
Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 7th
FEBRUARY, 1903, at 12.15 o'clock P.M., or
so soon as the Ordinary Half-Yearly
Meeting to be held at 12 o'clock Noon
on that day shall be concluded, when the
subjoined Resolution will be proposed. Should
the Resolution be passed by the required
majority it will be submitted for confirmation
as a Special Resolution to a Second Extra-
ordinary Meeting which will be subsequently
convened.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION.
That the Articles of Association be altered
in manner following—
(a) In Article (79) the word "nine" shall be
substituted for the word "seven."
(b) In Article (88) the words "nine thou-
sand" shall be substituted for the
words "seven thousand."

By Order of the Board of Directors,
T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 17th January, 1903. [282]

**THE PUNJON MINING COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, at
a Meeting of the Board of Directors
of the Company, held at the Company's Office,
No. 13, Bonaventure Arcade, Victoria, Hong-
kong, on Monday, the 5th day of January, 1903,
the following Resolution was passed—
"That in pursuance of the Special Resolu-
tion passed on the 11th day of
November, 1902, and confirmed on the
27th day of November, 1902, a Call of
Fifty Cents per Share be made upon
all holders of Ordinary Shares in the
above Company, and the same to be paid to
hereby made. Such Call to be paid to the
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank-
ing Corporation at their Premises,
Queen's Road Central, Victoria,
Hongkong, on or before the 9th day
of February, 1903."

AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that in
accordance with Article 24 of the Company's
Articles of Association, interest at the rate of
\$10 per centum per Annum will be charged
upon all Calls remaining unpaid after the 9th
day of February, 1903, up to the actual dates
of payment of the same.

Shareholders are requested to note that, upon
presentation at the Office of the Company of the
Bankers' Receipt for payment of the Call,
and surrender of existing Certificates of the
Shares pertaining thereto, new Share Certi-
ficates will be issued bearing an endorsement of
the payment of the said Call.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. K. FOOT HUGHES,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 6th January, 1903. [175]

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CHRIS OF ALL-SORTS,
BY
S. BARING-GOULD.

Author of "Mehuloh," "John Herring," &c.

CHAPTER VI.

TEEMAN.
Lend thy serious hearing
To what I shall unfold.

During the day, Mr. Gallop walked over to
the Court, and had an interview with the
legal adviser of the personage who represented
himself as Lady Fenton.

It was not probable, the rector said, that
Treeman would be able to come over to the
parsonage till evening.

Mr. Gallop returned with very little or no
satisfaction to his client or to himself. He had
found Mr. Starkie, the solicitor from Wynstead,
quite prepared to meet him, and to answer en-
quiries. He had shown Mr. John Fenton with
care of the marriage of Sir John Fenton, and
Eliza Smith, before a registrar in London, and
those of the birth and baptism of the boy at
Wynstead. Now the only thing unusual about
them was that in neither case had Sir John
been given his title, but had been described
simply as "gentleman." "The only bit of advice
I can give," said Mr. Gallop to the Captain,
"is not very professional, and that is to swallow
your disappointment, and put on it as good a
face as you can. We will, however, await the
butler, and see whether what he has to tell will
afford us any additional light."

Treeman did not arrive until a late dinner-
time, when the gentlemen were sitting over
the fire, with their glasses of wine, and cigar-
ettes. During the meal, Fenton had laboured
to make himself agreeable to Mrs. Hindley, but
the labour had been apparent. He was crushed
by what he had heard. For years he had hoped
for, of late had calculated on, the succession to
the honours and estate of his uncle. Not a
whisper had reached him to the effect that the
old gentleman was married and had a son, male.
For some years he had entertained a faint hope
that Sir John might take it into his head, in old
age, to marry, but this was a religious crumb, and
retreated more and more from society, this fear gave way
to confidence. And now he found all his ex-
pectations dashed to the ground like a house
of cards, and he was stunned by his misfortune.

The solicitor, who was not so touched, was in
a conversational mood, told his good stories,
kept the ball rolling, and when Mrs. Hindley
withdrew, plunged into politics with the rector
and left Fenton to his gloomy meditations.

It was plain to the Captain that with this
blight on his prospects all chance of a recon-
ciliation with Christine was gone. To him it
was a relief when the servant entered the
dining-room to announce that Mr. Treeman
had arrived, and would like to speak to her
master.

"How him in, Susan—show him in," said
Mr. Hindley, and next moment the butler en-
tered, wearing a light pailot over his black
suit.

He was a broad-shouldered man, with that
respectable cast of face, which a butler culti-
vates as a part of his stock in trade. He wore
grey whiskers, but was otherwise clean-shaven.
A servant's face is hard to read, for he wears a
mask habitually, yet through the mask looked
a pair of unmistakably honest eyes.

"Sit down, Treeman," said the Rector;
"sit down and have a glass of port." Captain
Fenton and Mr. Gallop will be interested in
what you have to say, and so indeed shall I, for
I was struck all of a heap by the apparition at
the Court. I might have expected to encounter
the traditional, ghostly Grey Lady, but I was
unprepared for the Lady in Black I might
have said the first, but the other requires other
exorcisms than I can find between the leaves of
my prayer-book. Sit down pray."

"Thank you, sir, I would rather stand,"
replied the butler, "and I am at the service of
the gentlemen for an hour. After 1 must be
back, or there will be enquiries about me, as to
where I have been. That lawyer who came
with my lady is enigmatical."

"Well, Treeman, tell us all you can about
this strange matter."

"If you will allow me, sir, I will begin at the
beginning."

"Certainly, don't take hold of a ferret by the
tail," said the lawyer.

"Then, gentlemen, I have it all commenced
with Sir John having his portrait taken in
London, by a distinguished artist whose name I
forgot, but which could easily be ascertained.
There, I believe he met some artist, perhaps
frequently, an artist of some name, either sitting
when he arrived, or going away; somehow they
did converse, and came across one another with
increased frequency, and an intimacy sprang
up, and Sir John fell desperately in love, and
proposed to marry her."

"There is no f of it like an old fool," observed
Mr. Gallop.

"No, sir, but Sir John was not quite such a
fool as you might think. Her name was Eliza
Smith, and she was not his equal in position, so
he was ashamed of himself, and did not choose
that it should be made public. They were mar-
ried—that was ten years ago."

"It was so," said the solicitor. "I have seen
a copy of the certificate."

"Where did they go after the marriage?"
Where spend the honeymoon?" asked the
Rector.

"Of course he did not bring her to the
Court," said the lawyer.

"Gentlemen, where he went I do not know,
but he settled her at Wynstead, and it was an
arrangement between them that she was to be
called Mrs. Fenton and not 'My lady.' He
made that stipulation at an early stage, and he
threatened that if she did not submit he would
withdraw her to a convent."

"He had no legal right to make such a
stipulation," said Mr. Gallop.

"I dare say not, sir, but she was not a pushing
and exacting person, and he very peremptory
and despotic. Well, shortly after their

marriage, there ensued a quarrel, and Sir John
refused after that to see her, and he never even
would see the boy when it was born."

"I have a copy of the certificate of both
marriage and birth," said Mr. Gallop.

"It is my opinion, gentlemen," pursued Mr.
Treeman, "that Sir John was ashamed of what
he had done, and also afraid—you will excuse
me, gentlemen, of Mrs. Warrander, the
housekeeper, who was a sealed member of his
sect. She and the kitchenmaid were in it up to
the ears; the rest of the servants bled and on.
They had to endure being preached to and
prayed at. You see, personalities when he
prayed at them; like a Boer, gentlemen,
he went down on his knees to take a good shot
at anyone. But Mrs. Warrander was about him
like a bluebottle about a shoulder of cold
mutton, and he could no more shake her off than
the mutton can free itself from the fly. He
was afraid of her, and he was afraid of the public
coming to hear of it—last ridicule should come
on his Church of the Elect. So when there
was a quarrel—"

"When was that?" asked the solicitor.
"Can't say exactly. You see, sir, I knew
nothing of it till Sir John was obliged to em-
ploy me as a go-between, to take the quarterly
allowance to her at Wynstead. Then he only
told me as much as he chose, the rest I obtained
from her, and what I put together."

"Then you took to her the money every
month?"

"Yes, sir. Sir John did not relish sending
cheques, lest his name should come out at Wyn-
stead, so he used to send the money in cash by
me."

"What was her conduct at Wynstead?"

"Oh, most respectable. I never heard a word
against her there. But gentlemen looked shy
of her, not knowing what she was, as she was
not a widow, and yet had her boy, and no hus-
band to show or speak about. She got took up
by that lawyer, but not by many folk."

"How did she know that Sir John was
dying?"

"That is more than I can say, sir. I don't
believe there was a servant in the Court that
suspected he was married. But that lawyer,
Mr. Starkie, may have made enquiries, and
commissioned someone on the spot to report to
him. When the cab drove up to the door, and
the lawyer and the boy got out, you
might have knocked me down with a fether,
and Mr. Starkie said that this was Lady Fen-
ton, and the lad was the Baronet. I could not
refuse to admit them, knowing what I did."

"The property is entailed, I think you told
me," said Mr. Gallop, turning to his client.

"Yes, strictly."

"You say that Sir John would not acknow-
ledge the boy?"

"No, sir, he never even saw him. He never
saw the lady after the quarrel, and that was
shortly after they were married."

"And she is quite respectable?"

"Entirely so, so far as I could learn."

"Mr. Treeman," said the solicitor, "may I
enquire, were you sufficiently in the confidence
of the deceased baronet to be aware whether he
made any will?"

"Can't say, sir, I really can't. But I doubt
it. He was very peculiar in his ideas, and he
believed that he would never die. He said he
was a second Knoch, and that he had received
the assurance that he would be translated with-
out tasting death. He said he would outlive his
nephew and the lady and the boy. Those that
listened to him, and believed what he said, he
would not die, I called it uncivilized—it was
my little joke, but as it came to his ears, and he
was very angry, I am sorry I made it."

"You had some influence with him?"

"Not much, sir, You see I never could bring
myself to pretend that I believed all he said.
He looked on me as a worldly and lost for
ever. But he could not get rid of me, or do
without me, because I know of the affairs of the
lady at Wynstead. It was just that which
made him keep me, and because he could not find
a man to take my place who would consent to be
Enoch—I mean, become a sealed member. He
had hopes of a footman once—till he caught
him playing cards with the housemaids, he
was very sore of the cook, till one evening, when
he had been expounding for an hour, she went
to sleep and snored. He turned her and the
footman both away."

"Did no doctor see him?"

"Yes—I brought one in, but it made him
very indignant. He would answer no questions
nor take any medicines. He said that he was
not going to die, he knew it by revelation. Now,
gentlemen, I think I have told you all. It there
be a will, it will probably be in the bureau, and
Mr. Hindley here has the key. The lawyer, Mr.
Starkie asked for them, and I said I had not got
them, but I did not tell him I had given them
to Mrs. Fenton. I do not think he will venture
to break the lock, and if he sends for the
blacksmith to pick them, I will contrive that he
shall be out of the way till after the funeral."

"Thank you much, Treeman, for what you
have told us," said the rector, and the solicitor
and Captain Fenton united in expressing their
gratitude.

Then Treeman withdrew.

"It looks uncommonly ugly," said Mr. Gal-
lop. "I had hoped that a will he might have
made provision for you, Captain; but if he has
not, why is it a bad job for you. However,
Mr. Starkie and I will see to it. We will possess the
document, they are certain to have advised him
to make his will."

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Hongkong, 14th January, 1903.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVI-
GATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR

FIUME AND TRIESTE (DIRECT),

Calling at SINGAPORE, BOMBAY,

KARACHI, ADEN, SUEZ and

PORT SAID.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to the BRAZILS,

TO SOUTH AFRICA, PERSIAN GULF, RED

SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, VENICE and

ADRIATIC PORTS.)

THE Company's Steamship

"TIPOL"

Captain Bretfeld, will be despatched as above

on TUESDAY, the 27th inst., P.M.

The Steamer has capital accommodation

for Passengers, Electric Light, and carries a

Doctor.

For information as to Passage and Freight,

apply to

SANDER, WIELER & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 16th January, 1903.

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR GENOA AND LONDON.

THE Steamship

"BENEDI"

Captain Clark, will be despatched as above on

or about 28th February, 1903.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 17th January, 1903.

REGULAR

STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW

YORK.

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL

(WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT PHILIPPINE

PORTS.)

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

1903.

"HINDUSTAN" About 4th February.

"SHIMOSA" " 28th February.

"BENEMAR" " 10th March.

For Freight and further information, apply to

DODWELL & CO., LD.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 20th January, 1903.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM

SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND

PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADE-

LAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

"AUSTRALIAN"

Captain Helms, will be despatched as above

on THURSDAY, the 5th February, at Noon.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted

for Passengers, and has a refrigerating cham-

ber, which ensures the supply of fresh provi-

sions, ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

The Steamer is installed throughout with

the electric light.

A stewardess and a duly qualified surgeon

are carried.

Y.B.—To assure the additional comfort of

passenger, the Steamers of the Company have

electric f as fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 14th January, 1903.

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP

COMPANY.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"GIBRALTAR"

Captain D. Morris, will be despatched for the

above ports on or about SATURDAY, the 14th

February.

For Freight, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,

General Agents.

Hongkong, 20th January, 1903.

OHINA NAVIGATION CO.,

LIMITED.

HONGKONG—MANILA.

REDUCED SALOON PASSAGE

MONEY.

SINGLE, \$20; RETURN, \$35.

STEAMERS FITTED THROUGHOUT WITH

ELECTRIC LIGHT. FIRST CLASS ACCOM-

MODATION. UNRIVALLED TABLE. DULY

QUALIFIED SURGEON CARRIED.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE

AGENTS.

Hongkong, 9th January, 1901.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENGLOE"

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND

STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby inform-

ed that all Goods are being landed at

their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong

and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.,

whence and/or from the wharves delivery may

be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods

have left the Godowns, and all Goods undeliver-

ed after the 21st inst. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the steamer must be

presented to the Undersigned on or before the

31st inst., or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are

to be left in the Godowns, where they will be

examined on the 21st inst., at 11 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 14th January, 1903.

PORTLAND AND ASIATIC STEAM

SHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "INDRAVELLI"

FROM PORTLAND (OR) YOKOHAMA,

KOBE AND MOJI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Con-

signees of Cargo are hereby requested to

send in their Bills of Lading for countersigna-

ture, and to take immediate delivery of their

Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel

will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk

and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in

any case whatever.

ALLAN CAMERON,

General Agent.

Hongkong, 17th January, 1903.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"COR MANDEL"

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND

STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named

vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are

being landed and placed at their risk in the

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown

Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each

consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark,

and delivery can be obtained as soon as the

Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo—

From London, &c., ex s.s. *Arctia*.

From Persian Gulf, ex B. I. S. N. and

B. & P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless

instructions are given to the contrary before

4 P.M. To-day, 17th inst.

Goods not cleared by the 24th inst., at 4 P.M.,

will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in

any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Go-

downs for examination by the Consignees and

the Company's representative at an appointed

time. All Claims must be presented within

ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after

which date they cannot be recognised. No

Claims will be admitted after the Goods have

left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWITT,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 17th January, 1903.

STEAMSHIP "SALAZIE"

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London and

Havre ex s.s. *Sidon*, from Bordeaux ex s.s.*Ville d'Arras* and *Ville Rochefort*, in

connection with above steamer, are hereby

informed that their Goods, with the exception

